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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices remain steady overall for whole broilers/fryers. Retail demand is light to moderate, instances good with some finding interest for planned feature activity. Food service demand is light to moderate following the weekend. Offerings are light to moderate for current trade needs. Floor stocks are moderate. Market activity is slow to mostly moderate. In the parts structure, movement is light to moderate for early week business while some are starting to watch weather forecasts for possible adverse weather conditions in parts of the West. Prices are trending firm for breast item and drums; weak for tenders and weak to lower for wings. Offerings of breast cuts, drums and thighs are light to moderate and clearing well; wings are weak with heavy discounting noted. Tenders are moderate to mostly heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. In production areas, live supplies are moderate; weights are mixed, but mostly desirable.

### GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK WHOLE BIRD PRICES

The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 100.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

#### PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT PRELIM. WTD. AVG

LOADS	RANGE	PRELIM. WTD. AVG
1,001	94.97 – 105.68	100.11

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

### GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER LB)	VOL (000 LBS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	190.50	1,669
BREASTS - B/S	165.50	7,263
BREASTS - WHOLE	108.50	1,418
THIGH MEAT - B/S	136.50	1,159
THIGHS	74.50	1,327
DRUMSTICKS	73.00	1,357
LEG QUARTERS	54.50	9,302
WINGS	189.00	3,711

## USDA Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report (Fri)

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Monthly Composite Weighted Average	
<b>This Week:</b>	100.96	↑ 0.69	10,773	<b>Wtd Avg</b>	<b>1,000 lbs.</b>
<b>Last Week:</b>	100.27		12,350	<b>Jan</b>	101.48
<b>Last Year:</b>	90.09	↑ 10.87	13,280		58,174

### Eastern Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	84.00 - 124.00	97.00 - 104.00	102.50	↓ 0.11	5,068	102.61
WOGS:	92.00 - 113.00	100.00 - 105.00	102.12	↑ 1.03	1,198	101.09
<b>NEW YORK</b>						
Whole Body:	94.25 - 108.00	102.00 - 106.00	102.36	↑ 0.01	1,470	102.35

### Central Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	85.00 - 108.50	89.00 - 99.00	96.70	↑ 2.06	3,260	94.65
WOGS:	85.00 - 104.00	89.00 - 97.00	94.06	↑ 1.69	2,252	92.37
<b>CHICAGO</b>						
Whole Body:	87.00 - 108.25	89.00 - 98.00	96.48	↑ 2.53	1,600	93.95

### Western Region

	THIS WEEK				LAST WEEK	
	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg
Whole Body:	88.00 - 126.00	98.00 - 109.00	103.46	↑ 0.78	2,445	102.69
WOGS:	88.00 - 110.00	98.00 - 102.00	99.23	↑ 0.58	1,713	98.66
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>						
Whole Body:	88.00 - 126.00	98.00 - 109.00	102.56	↑ 0.75	1,775	101.81

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

**Eastern Region:** AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,MS,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV. **Central Region:** AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,KY,LA,MI,MN,MO,NE,NM,OK,OH,SD,TX,WI. **Western Region:** AZ,CA,ID,MT,NV,OR,UT,WA,WY.

**Source:** USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News Division; [www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage](http://www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage)

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**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Prices are trending firm for breast items and drums; weak for tenders and lower for wings. Other items are mostly steady. Trucklot buying activity is light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions during early week trading. Offering of breast cuts and drums are light to moderate and moving well; wings are readily available with heavy discounting noted. Tenders are moderate to mostly heavy and slow to clear. The balance of items are sufficient for current needs. Movement is slow to moderate.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS.
BREAST - B/S	160	140.88	1,121,400
TENDERLOINS	145	144.69	300,600
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	118.76	63,691
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	105.65	157,691
LEGS	68-69	69.01	80,360
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	51.04	495,806
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	65.74	119,510
THIGHS	71-72	75.17	81,000
B/S THIGHS	128-129	131.30	130,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	177-178	187.24	211,680
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	5,310
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	57.00	12,000
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.75	28,280

**February 18, 2013**

BREAST - B/S	160	139.68	744,840
TENDERLOINS	145	145.99	101,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	117.78	57,001
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	106.37	73,846
LEGS	68-69	67.75	146,040
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48	49.45	316,225
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	60.34	124,200
THIGHS	71-72	75.92	86,520
B/S THIGHS	128-129	131.24	65,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	183-184	193.27	114,480
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	16-18	18.00	3,920
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	55.73	8,330
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	75-80	79.72	18,040

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	227	129.00-150.00	-	135.73
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	253	45.00-49.00	-	46.99
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	359	48.00-51.00	-	49.25
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
WINGS (CUT)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR FEB 19, 2013 -- F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
66.50 - 70.00	68.06

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS**

ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI WEEK OF 18- FEB-2013 TO 22- FEB-2013, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	130.00 - 163.00	136.00 - 140.00
TENDERLOINS	145.00 - 160.00	145.00 - 151.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	99.00 - 119.00	104.00 - 110.00
LEGS	65.00 - 69.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46.00 - 61.00	47.00 - 51.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	50.00 - 62.00	51.00 - 54.00
DRUMSTICKS	46.00 - 59.00	-
THIGHS	66.00 - 83.00	-
B/S THIGHS	121.00 - 135.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	170.00 - 192.00	-
BACKS & NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 45.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	42.00 - 65.00	-

**ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER/FRYERS**

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	02/19	02/15	02/15	02/12	02/08
Alabama	3,762	3,935	5.60	3,572	5.42
Arkansas	4,967	3,320	5.51	4,896	5.48
Delmarva	2,062	1,960	6.00	2,014	6.11
Ky-LA-TN	2,438	2,331	5.17	2,413	5.13
Mississippi	2,808	2,768	6.07	2,774	5.84
North Carolina	2,814	3,032	7.52	2,821	7.34
Texas	2,381	2,353	5.66	2,370	5.65
Total	21,232	19,699	5.94	20,860	5.82
Mon	41,930(A)			40,849(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Feb-13 is estimated to be 31,765,000 up 1.48 percent from a week ago and up 3.7 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,303,000 last year 30,621,000)

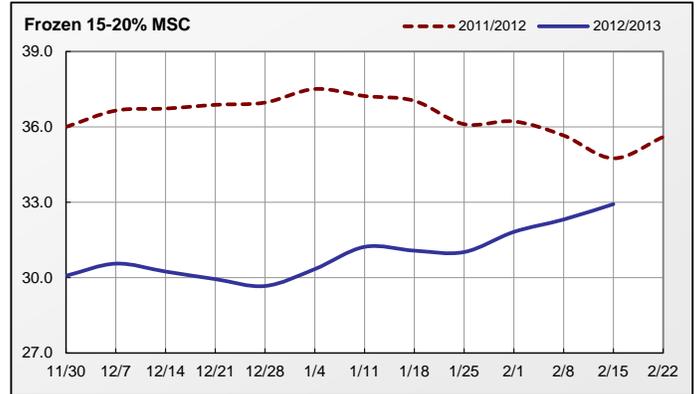
**National Mechanically Separated Chicken**

(FOB Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices for MSC are steady to firm on most fat contents. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Demand is mostly moderate to instances good into domestic and export channels. Industry maintains a watchful eye on the marketplace, as well as a realistic and more traditional attitude as the Lenten season has begun. Sellers continue to sell MSC out front. Market activity is moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials are light and clearing satisfactorily. Frames are trading between 13-15 cents FOB, mostly 14-15 FOB.

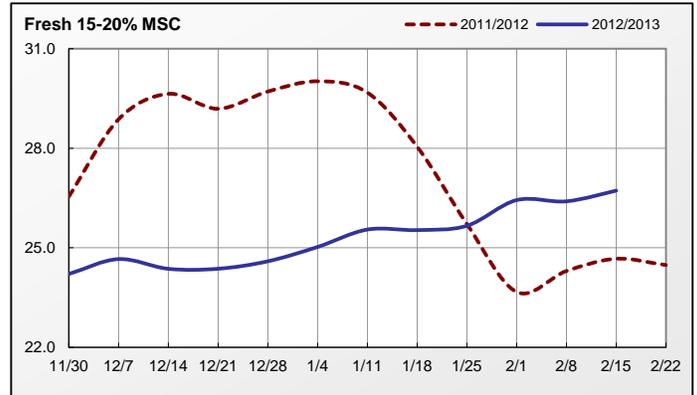
**Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	15-Feb-13	Last Week	Last Year	15-Feb-13	Last Week	Last Year
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Price Range			-	26.00 - 28.00	25.00 - 27.00	27.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price			-	27.33	26.00	27.75
Volume Traded	-	-	-	184	163	163
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Price Range	31.00 - 35.00	31.00 - 34.00	29.00-38.00	24.00 - 29.00	24.00 - 28.00	20.00-30.00
Wtd Avg Price	32.93	32.31	34.75	26.72	26.40	24.67
Volume Traded	1,617	1,245	2,678	4,488	4,743	4,145
Volume Exported	1,417	1,045	2,278	571	816	653
<b>20% or More</b>						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



**Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)**

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	Jan 2013	Dec 2012	Jan 2012	Jan 2013	Dec 2012	Jan 2012
<b>15% or Less</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	30.00	-	25.13	25.11	31.81
Volume Traded	80	40	-	653	449	734
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>15-20%</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	30.97	30.20	37.00	25.48	24.50	28.51
Volume Traded	4,923	4,730	6,795	17,411	14,667	14,390
Volume Exported	4,563	4,370	6,195	5,834	1,836	1,306
<b>20% or More</b>						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.00	21.43	22.36
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	286	286
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.